



REPUBLICAN PARTY OF NEW MEXICO HAILS U.S. SUPREME COURT'S DRAFT OPINION DECISION TO OVERTURN ROE v WADE



Albuquerque, May 3—The Republican Party of New Mexico welcomes the historic decision by the U.S. Supreme Court to strike down Roe v Wade, a ruling that has tremendous moral and political implications.

RPNM commends the Justices in their recognition that the measure of a person or society is how they protect the vulnerable--those with the least voice. The most vulnerable are the unborn, and the Court acknowledged that there's little dispute that life begins earlier than what was believed in 1973 when Roe v Wade legalized abortion.

“The Supreme Court decision is in the best interest of our nation and protects the unborn,” said RPNM Chairman Steve Pearce. “The Justices have upheld and recognized their duty to protect the lives of the unborn and to abolish the horrors of abortion. The Court has successfully challenged court precedent and has legally established the right to life in the womb. Abortion is wrong on moral grounds, and I and everyone who stand for life am pleased at the outcome and that the Court has ruled to protect the sanctity of life.”

The landmark decision in 1973 had many flaws.

First, the Constitutional guarantee for abortion was murky at best and could never be adequately explained by the Justices.

Secondly, it limited abortions to the first trimester, but that thinking was extended into late-term abortions, even up to the day of birth. New Mexico is one of those states that allows such late-term abortions—an act that’s unconscionable. New Mexico is known as the late-term abortion capital of the nation.

Another major problem for the Supreme Court centered on knowing when life begins. Science and evidence show that that life begins much earlier than what was believed 50 years ago. The Court agreed and took this into consideration when ruling to strike down the law.

On the political front, this ruling will mean that states will determine laws restricting or permitting abortion. The progressives are insistent that their view is correct. That will be proven in state elections. If more states elect pro-abortion candidates, then their view will prevail. If, on the other hand, states follow the lead of Mississippi to restrict late-term abortions, then the opposite view will prevail.

State elections will be even more critical, and electing conservative, pro-life governors and legislatures will help ensure abortions are restricted.

This is the right thing to do.

Finally, it’s abhorrent that the draft of the opinion was leaked. This was an absolute breach of trust, reprehensible and deeply disturbing to know that this was released to perhaps manipulate the decision. This leak is a felony, and authorities must investigate and prosecute those responsible.

RPNM welcomes this major Supreme Court ruling and believes it's in the best interest of our country.